

Lecture 2: u-substitution for indefinite and definite integrals

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$$\int e^{x^2} 2x dx$$

$$u = x^2 \rightarrow \frac{du}{dx} = 2x$$

$$du = 2x dx$$

$$\int e^u \frac{du}{dx} dx = \int e^u du$$

$$= e^u + C$$

$$= e^{x^2} + C$$

$$\int \sin(x^2) dx = \int \sin u \cdot \frac{du}{2x} = \int \frac{\sin u}{2\sqrt{u}} du$$

$$u = x^2 \quad du = 2x dx$$

$$\frac{du}{dx} = 2x \quad \frac{du}{2x} = dx$$

$$x = \sqrt{u}$$

Method of u-substitution:

1.  $\int \text{STUFF}(x) dx$

look in here, find a chunk,  
call it u.  $u = \text{chunk}$

2. say  $du = \frac{d}{dx}(\text{chunk}) dx$

3. Try to rewrite everything in terms of  $u$ .

4. Hope we can integrate it.

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$$\int \frac{2x}{(x^2-4)^3} dx = \int \frac{1}{u^3} du = \int u^{-3} du$$
$$u = x^2 - 4 \quad du = 2x dx \quad = -\frac{1}{2} u^{-2} + C$$

$$= \boxed{-\frac{1}{2} (x^2 - 4)^{-2} + C}$$

$$\frac{1}{-3+1} u^{-3+1} + C$$

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$$\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{3x-4}} dx = \int (3x-4)^{-1/2} dx$$

$$u = 3x - 4$$

$$du = 3 dx$$

$$= \int u^{-1/2} \cdot \frac{1}{3} du = \frac{1}{3} \int u^{-1/2} du = \frac{1}{3} \frac{1}{-1/2+1} u^{-1/2+1} + C$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} 2 u^{1/2} + C$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} \sqrt{3x-4} + C$$

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$$\int \left( \frac{4 \ln \sqrt{x}}{x} + \cos x \right) dx$$

$$= \int \frac{4 \ln \sqrt{x}}{x} dx + \int \cos x dx$$

$$= 4 \int \frac{\ln \sqrt{x}}{x} dx + \int \cos x dx$$

$$= 4 \int \frac{\ln x^{1/2}}{x} dx + \sin x + C$$

$$= 4 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{\ln x}{x} dx + \sin x + C$$

$$\left( \begin{array}{l} \int \frac{\ln x}{x} dx = \int u du = \frac{1}{2} u^2 + C \\ u = \ln x \\ du = \frac{1}{x} dx \end{array} \right. \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} = \frac{1}{2} (\ln x)^2 + C \end{array} \right)$$

$$= 2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} (\ln x)^2 + \sin x + C$$

$$= \boxed{(\ln x)^2 + \sin x + C}$$

Practice

$$1. \int 4 \sin x \sqrt{3 + \cos x} dx$$

$$\rightarrow \int (\sin x \sin(\cos x) - 2x) dx$$

$$2. \int (\sin x \sin(\cos x) - 2x) dx$$


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$$1. \int 4 \sin x \sqrt{3 + \cos x} dx = \int u^{1/2} (-4) du$$

$$u = 3 + \cos x$$

$$du = -\sin x dx$$

$$-4 du = 4 \sin x dx$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} (-4) u^{3/2} + C$$

$$= -\frac{8}{3} (3 + \cos x)^{3/2} + C$$

$$2. \int (\sin x \sin(\cos x) - 2x) dx$$

$$\int \boxed{\sin x \sin(\cos x)} dx - \int 2x dx$$

$\swarrow$   
 $u = \cos x$   
 $du = -\sin x dx$   
 $(-1) du = \sin x dx$

$\nwarrow (-1) du$

$$\Rightarrow \int \sin(u) (-1) du - x^2 + C$$

$$= -(-\cos u) - x^2 + C$$

$$= \boxed{\cos(\cos x) - x^2 + C}$$


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u-substitution for definite int's.

$$\int_0^1 x \sqrt{1-x^2} dx$$

1. Find an anti-der

$$\int x \sqrt{1-x^2} dx = \int \sqrt{1-x^2} x dx$$

$$u = 1-x^2$$

$$du = -2x dx$$

$$-\frac{1}{2} du = x dx$$

$$= \int u^{1/2} (-\frac{1}{2}) du$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{2}{3} u^{3/2} + C$$

$$= -\frac{1}{3} (1-x^2)^{3/2} + C$$

all anti-  
der's.

2.  $\int_0^1 x \sqrt{1-x^2} dx = \left[ -\frac{1}{3} (1-x^2)^{3/2} \right]_0^1 =$

$$\left( -\frac{1}{3} (1-1)^{3/2} \right) - \left( -\frac{1}{3} (1-0^2)^{3/2} \right)$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{1}{3}}$$

Short way

$$x=1$$

$$, u=0$$

Short way

$$\int_{x=0}^{x=1} x \sqrt{1-x^2} dx = \int_{x=0}^{x=1} u^{1/2} \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) du = -\frac{1}{2} \int_{u=1}^{u=0} u^{1/2} du$$

$$u = 1 - x^2$$

$$du = -2x dx$$

$$-\frac{1}{2} du = x dx$$

$$x=0 \rightarrow u = 1 - 0^2 = 1$$

$$x=1 \rightarrow u = 1 - 1^2 = 0$$

pointless.

$$\frac{1}{2} \int_{u=0}^{u=1} u^{1/2} du = \left[ \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{2}{3} u^{3/2} \right]_0^1$$

$$= \left[ \frac{1}{3} 1^{3/2} - \frac{1}{3} 0^{3/2} \right] = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\int_0^{\pi/2} \sin x e^{\cos x} dx = - \int_{x=0}^{x=\pi/2} e^u du = - \int_{u=1}^{u=0} e^u du$$

$$u = \cos x$$

$$du = -\sin x dx$$

$$(-1) du = \sin x dx$$

$$x=0 \rightarrow u = \cos 0 = 1$$

$$x = \pi/2 \rightarrow u = \cos \frac{\pi}{2} = 0$$

$$- \left[ e^u \right]_1^0 = - (e^0 - e^1)$$

$$= -(1-e)$$

$$= e-1$$